

MICHAEL F. EASLEY

APPALACHIAN STATE MOUNTAINEERS' FOOTBALL DAY

2008

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in the year 1928, the Appalachian State University Mountaineers football team played its first game and has since won 516 games; and

WHEREAS, the Appalachian State Mountaineers were unanimously ranked Number 1 in all 2007 preseason polls, including the Coach's Poll, *The Sporting News* and *Street & Smith*; and

WHEREAS, the Appalachian State Mountaineers finished the 2007 Southern Conference season with a 5-2 record as regular season co-champions and were conference champions in 2006 and 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Appalachian State Mountaineers finished the 2007 season with an overall record of 13-2, winning its last 8 games of the season and after a history-making season-opening victory over the University of Michigan, 34-32; and

WHEREAS, in Jerry Moore's 19th season coaching, he delivered the University's 3rd consecutive National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division 1 Football Championship; and

WHEREAS, the Appalachian State Mountaineers beat the University of Delaware Fighting Blue Hens 49-21 in the NCAA National Championship on December 14, 2007, played in Chattanooga, Tennessee, thus becoming the undisputed Number 1 college team in the nation; and

WHEREAS, the Appalachian State University Mountaineers football team has demonstrated the talent and skill that has earned them the respect and pride of all North Carolinians;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, June 10, 2008, as "APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY MOUNTAINEERS FOOTBALL DAY" in North Carolina and urge our citizens to wear black and gold in support this observance.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this fifth day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-second.